

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 128 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN  
OF BRANFORD CONCERNING FEES AND PENALTIES IN CONNECTION  
WITH BUILDING PERMITS

**BE IT ORDAINED THAT** Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 128, Article I, Section 128-4 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Branford is hereby amended by deleting the present Section 128-4 and replacing it as follows:

**Section 128-4 Waiver of Fees**

Building permit fees and separate permit fees may be waived for owner occupied single family homes where at least one of the record owners is aged 62 or over and where the permit is to replace roofing, siding, storm windows, replacement windows that do not require any structural change, water heaters, or heating systems.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT** Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 128, Article I is hereby amended by adding a new Section 128-5 as follows:

**Section 128-5 Fines for Violations and Penalties**

A. Any owner or authorized agent of an owner who commences construction or alterations without first receiving the required permits for such work shall be assessed a penalty in an amount equal to the fee charged to obtain such permit or permits, provided, however, that the Building Official may waive such penalty in his discretion as he deems appropriate.

B. A re-inspection fee of twenty-five (\$25) Dollars will be assessed in the event any field inspection cannot be performed or is not ready to be performed as a result of owner or contractor negligence.

C. All fines or penalties imposed shall be collected and paid to the Town of Branford prior to a final inspection being conducted by the Building Official and a Certificate of Occupancy shall not be issued unless such fine or penalties have been paid to the Town.

Purpose: To provide for penalties and fines for failure to obtain proper building permits.